

BRIDE REBUFS JAILED 'SNEK'

Asks That Her Marriage Be Annulled

KENOSHA, Wis., Dec. 15.—After a 10-minute talk with her father, a Chicago manufacturer, and the chief of police here Thursday, "Billie" Jean Schack, 21, whose young man came to an abrupt end at Port Arthur Wednesday with the arrest of her husband, Charles M. Levy, alias "Hank," refused her father's offer to annul the marriage and asked that the marriage be annulled.

The girl was clinging to Levy's arm when he was brought late today to face a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, and said she would stand by her husband. She changed her mind after her father told her of Levy's record.

Chain Store Prince Insures His Life for 3 Million Dollars

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—J. C. Penney of the corporation bearing his name joined the ranks of big-league policyholders when he took out insurance bringing his total up to \$3,000,000. This annual premium will be \$24,000.

PORT ARTHUR MERCHANTS

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and retailers were insurance against fire, tornado or any other elemental action.

American insurance companies went down on this form until they had an opportunity of working out the "average" which they could write the insurance, and up to as late as a year and a half ago only one American company was writing an acceptable rate policy. Now several other companies write practically the same policies.

Practically every important sporting event, whether amateur or professional, which depends on gate receipts for its support, and which has been for several years back generally covered by rain insurance.

Most Texas league baseball clubs several years ago have had the receipts of their Saturday, Sunday and holiday games protected by insurance at least the "home" team.

Some of them have protected all of their home games. All of them in covering the games for such a long period as the last indicated, the company's management likely to make the profit.

The company gets a little the best of you in the long run at that—that is the principle of the insurance game," as one Texas league club executive expressed.

But just the same, although they are a little over a period of years in every day business, it prevents the "treasure" being hit a hard blow by the loss of an important event, or occasional big series in any one year.

UNUSUAL WILL

Orders \$25,000 at Interest to Reach \$2,000,000

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 15.—That the sum of \$25,000 be left on deposit until it aggregates \$2,000,000, as the unusual request of Cloyd M. Lee, whose will has been filed for probate, Alice directed that the income from the \$25,000 be paid to his wife during her life. When the deposit reaches \$2,000,000 it is to be used in building a home for children of active born Masons, the will directed, standard interest tables show that \$25,000 will reach \$2,000,000 in twenty-five years if placed at 6 per cent and compounded annually.

Cayoh Is Uncertain As Ruth's Home Run Says Bryan Downey

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.—Quickly out an opponent every time you go to bat. It can't be done.

So Bryan Downey told a fan when asked if he expected to stop "Happy" Nathan.

"Happy" Nathan can't hit a home run any time up no matter how much he likes to hit homers or how hard he tries," said Downey. "And no one can stop a knockout every time he is as hard as I can and I can say."

The fan wanted more encouragement, so he ventured nothing.

"If you hit the spot on Nathan," said Bryan, "the spot again. That is all he is. Nathan, say, eh? Yes, I have to do."

Downey changed the position.

F. S. A. F. Townsend, president of the Commercial Club, who refused to reveal the position.

THE MANDALAY

SCHEDULE OF AMUSEMENTS FRIDAY
People: Wanda Hawley and Milton Sills starred in "Burning Sands," Strand; "The Old Nest" in "The Musical Comedy," and "The Old Nest" in "The Musical Comedy." People: "The Old Nest" with all star cast featured.

SATURDAY
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AN ANSWER TO "THE SNEK"
A man's answer to "The Sneak" is found in "Burning Sands," the desert thriller now playing at the Peoples Theater. The story deals with two women, a French dancer, and a man of action, who throw confusion to the villain and his followers. A man's life in the hot wastes of the Sahara. The story is told through a series of adventures, gay Arabian revels, luxurious oriental settings. The heart of the production is added to this side with known stars in Milton Sills, Wanda Hawley, Jacqueline Liberty, "The Old Nest," and "The Old Nest." People: "The Old Nest" with all star cast featured.

NOTED LEGITIMATE ACTOR
Continuously featured one of the most noted legitimate actors in the United States, for years past, with a reputation for motion picture stardom, Guy Hales has at last presented and under the auspices of Richard Walton Tully, has presented for the screen the great stage success, with which he has been identified, "The Masquerader." This stage play was a record breaker, a repeated cover and over again. Such as a play and book it was endurable to millions.

QUITE A HIT
"Officer 666," musical farce now playing at the Strand through Saturday, offers a clever little crook story, with an intermingling of musical numbers.

Edith Clayton heads the picture program in "The Cradle." Tonight is Amateur night, with a special announcement for a new feature next Friday night.

BRINGS BROTHER TO JUSTICE
A tale that depicts volumes for the rock-ribbed code of the royal Northwest, mounted police in the drama at Prince Saturday and Sunday.

A young brother is dismissed from the service for bad conduct and life in a superior officer. By a peculiar agency of fate, the duty of tracking the murderer falls upon the older brother. The chase leads through the dark Northwest until brother tracked the murderer to the end of the long, low, and the law of the North—let your man.

ABILENE RESULT VERY UNCERTAIN
ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 15.—As the high school football eleven of this city and Abilene prepared to take the field in one of today's semi-final games for the interscholastic championship of Texas it appeared to be a toss-up as to which would win the decision although fans here are almost unanimous in believing that Waco will win its battle with Corpus Christi.

The Abilene eleven has an impressive record for the season and has shown itself to be of championship calibre. However, their opposition has not been nearly so strong as that of the Abilene aggregation which is causing even the most ardent of the local enthusiasts to be somewhat dubious.

White ivory and shell pyralis, either single pieces or in sets—Hart Drug Co.

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Our Prescriptions
Look over your wardrobe—You'll find some and think they are useless. Send them to us and we will clean and freshen them up so that you'll be surprised. Don't hesitate, no matter how badly worn they appear to you—we'll let you know what can be done with them. Leave it to us.

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SCHWARZ LOSES BILL FOR STATE JOB AS SINGER POLICE FRAMED

Baritone Who Wed Coffee Queen Was Late

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—It was because he could not quit his honeymoon in Europe that Joseph Schwarz, leading baritone of the Chicago Civic Opera Company, failed to return on time and precipitated a quarrel which led to his leaving the company, it was learned Thursday.

With the singer went his bride, the former Miss Helen Schwartz, daughter of a prominent Chicago family, and a woman of the New York coffee king, whom Schwarz married last February.

Schwarz last Thursday sang in Parsifal. When the time to drop German opera from the repertory led the company to decide to let Schwarz go. "We are not going to use Schwarz again," said Clark A. Shaw, business manager of the opera company, "because he was 31 days late in coming to fulfill his contract."

Schwarz told his friends here that he was delayed by his honeymoon with the coffee queen.

Coed's \$1,000 Fur Coat Stolen; Quiz on at "U"
MADISON, Wis., Dec. 15.—Theft of a university coed's \$1,000 fur coat Thursday night aroused the student senate to demand an investigation to track down the coat thief who have been operating on the campus. A series of thefts last year in university halls was effectively checked when the authorities placed special guards in cloak rooms.

Taxi Driver Found Shot Dead at Wheel
DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 15.—Since through the back T. W. Mitchell, taxi driver, was found dead in his car in the northern part of the city early yesterday. Two .32 automatic shells were near the machine.

The body, huddled under the steering wheel, was discovered by William Winburn, who was on his way to work.

Jewelry Bargains For Saturday
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Furs have a prestige all their own—unique in that they are a luxury and still a useful and enduring necessity. Being thus regarded, you'll enjoy them almost as much as she will.

Such low prices as these are rare for Christmas time, it's all because we have reduced the prices.

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\$32.50 Fox Neck Poles\$25.00 \$35.00 Fox Neck Poles\$27.50
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Lace collars in white and cream are priced 50c to \$1.25. Borthers that are entirely new, come at \$1.25 to \$4.00 and are done in lace and not.

For the Home
Fancy bath towels in gold, rose, pink, blue and white, also in rose and purple combinations, 50c 75c and up to \$1.50.

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Just as lovely as a sunset as you would expect at the first of the season.

to \$19.50 Dresses \$10.95
to \$29.50 Dresses \$16.95
to \$37.50 Dresses \$18.75
to \$49.50 Dresses \$32.95
to \$67.50 Dresses \$43.75
to \$79.00 Dresses \$54.95

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A beautiful fur trimmed coat or a plain trim coat, as you please here.

to \$22.50 Coats \$10.95
to \$29.50 Coats \$18.95
to \$37.50 Coats \$24.75
to \$49.00 Coats \$34.75
to \$58.00 Coats \$37.95
to \$130.00 Coats \$87.95

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Such deep reductions can only mean one thing, these suits will soon be gone.

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to \$35.00 Suits \$19.75
to \$45.00 Suits \$22.75
to \$57.00 Suits \$34.75
to \$69.50 Suits \$46.75
to \$98.00 Suits \$59.75

Gloves
Especially French French kid gloves are desired for Christmas.

Goldberg's
"WHERE STYLE BEGINS"

THE PORT ARTHUR NEWS

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REINVEST WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT

Money properly planted, grows. In planting money as an investment, one first makes certain that his principal is safe; the rate of interest is a secondary consideration. The speculator bets his money against the possibility of large returns. Ordinarily, the larger the rate of interest, the greater the risk. Money diligently saved by thrift is correctly placed as an investment; security is the big item to the average citizen whose principal hope is to get ahead by the process of consistent thrift and wise investment.

Uncle Sam started in the investment business during the war as a necessary means of financing an emergency. It is being continued as a material aid in meeting current obligations and as a permanent thrift policy to help those who save.

No investment can be sounder than the government. Some \$625,000,000 in War Saving Certificates are due and payable on Jan. 1, 1935. From that date they cease to draw interest and the holders of these certificates are faced with the problem of re-investment. These dollars have grown almost one-fourth from the time of initial planting.

What is to be done with these dollars? For the one who builds a competency on the long swing method, it stands to reason that he cannot be satisfied with his present gains and celebrate his savings by spending his pot. The original investment may have been under the urge of war duty, but the calm wisdom of experience suggests an immediate re-investment. Thrift is not a passing caprice, it is a permanent policy—it must be to bring the full fruitage sought, an insurance against the years to come.

The government seems to offer an excellent answer to the question. Treasury Savings Certificates, exempt from all state and local taxation, except estate and inheritance taxes, and from the federal income tax. Any trained investor fully appreciates what these exemptions mean. These new certificates are available in convenient denominations and mature in another five years. Four dollars planted a few years ago will amount to almost six at the end of the next lap.

In growing dollars it is necessary to keep them planted. The government takes the hazard out of investing and assures a fair return.

A BRYANIC PLAN

William Jennings Bryan has a plan all his own. He would not abolish the electoral college. He would have each congressional district select its own electors. This would permit a state to cast a decided vote. This would prevent the expenditure of large sums of money for political purposes. At least this is the point of view of the distinguished American who was given three trials at the White House and scored three decisive defeats. The Bryan plan would certainly make presidential campaigns very interesting. It would lead to a battle royal in every congressional district in America. But why distard the plan of the father?

NOT LAST WORD

No action is to be taken by the government on the proposal of large packers to form a merger. If action is taken it must come after the merger has been formed. This will make it interesting for the lawyers who represent the big packers as well as the attorney general and his staff of assistants. It is possible that the wise men of the department of justice have been unable to interpret the so-called packers control act. This act was drafted by lawyers. It was enacted by lawyer-lawmakers and it was declared to be the last word in restrictive legislation.

COMING OF THE TAPPERS

Representative Lee Satterwhite is known as the gentleman from Panhandle. He is an authority on state finances. He is in sympathy with the teachers of the state and he would dearly love to see the rural schools given a large appropriation for their maintenance and improvement.

It was at Houston that the state teachers demanded an appropriation of four million dollars for the rural schools. It was in the city of Austin that the gentleman from the Panhandle after an exhaustive research declared that there was not a dollar in sight that would justify granting the demand of the organized teachers of Texas.

If the lawmakers appropriate four million dollars for the rural schools they must first "tap new sources of revenue." There is going to be merry blades under the big dome this winter when the tappers get busy.

SPENT HIS MONEY AND LOST

Senator William M. Calder of New York spent \$25,949.00 in behalf of himself as a candidate for re-election. He lost to Dr. Royal L. Copeland by a majority of 255,000. How the mourners are asking President Harding to appoint Calder collector of the port of New York. This is a job with nothing to do, clerks to do it and it carries with it a salary of \$12,000 a year. There are many republican lame ducks who must be provided for by the president. They went down in the landslide that hit the country November 7, and they are asking for something equally as good the next time the federal plum tree is shaken. On with the hunt for fat offices.

IGNORANCE IS DANGEROUS

Ignorance is dangerous, damaging and deadly. There can be no tomorrow of greatness to any people unless the builders of today provide for the education of the youth of the land. The world is replete with statistics by which the truth of that statement can be proven with mathematical accuracy. I shall not reflect on this intelligent audience by presenting these statistics.—Excerpt from Governor Neff's speech before the state teachers' association. Society is responsible for its illiterates as society is responsible for its criminals. Wherever there is ignorance there is fanaticism, religious and racial prejudices and children who never see the inside of a school house. It is time for the people to think. It is time for them to bludgeon ignorance and all its hand mates. Texas should keep pace with the progressive states of the American Union.

Texas should keep the faith of the early fathers who had educational ideals of the highest. They should remember the words of Sam Houston. "The diffusion of knowledge among people is essential for the preservation of a free government." Sam Houston was the liberator who will give all the children of all the people a fair chance to win for themselves educated heads and trained hands.

COTTON MILLS BUSY

A Boston trade paper says there was a marked increase in activity in the cotton industry, not only in New England, but in the country as a whole during the month of October and that the activity of the New England mills average close to 80 per cent of capacity during November and a few were running overtime in certain departments.

There has been a merger of cotton and woolen mills in New England and the textile interests are being knit together. William M. Wood is the president of this latest amalgamation of New England interests. He is the last word in the woolen manufacturing world and now he is going to be the first word in the New England cotton mill world.

This combination or consolidation of interests has established several large bleacheries in the Carolinas and millions of dollars of New England capital are to be invested in the cotton mills of the south.

These New Englanders have read the hand writing on the wall. They are moving their mills or their money to the place where the cotton grows. They are practical men. They know that in the not distant future the south is the manufacturing center of America.

MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY

American Legionnaires of Illinois denounce Governor Small's action in pardoning William Bross Lloyd as a gross and disgraceful abuse of the pardon power. Lloyd is a man without a country but he has his millions. When he entered Joliet prison he forfeited the rights of citizenship and his commutation of sentence carried with it no restoration of these rights. He may be permitted to talk and write communistic twaddle in future but he will not be permitted to cast an American ballot. This is as humiliating and as degrading as a prison cell.

Good Evening Folks!

Whatever may be troubling Kemal, it isn't modesty complex.

The MacSweeney family may be down, but it is seldom out of jail.

Party progress is just a slow process of trying to squash progressives.

The man who said the little things count knew very little about the rubble.

A mild winter is one during which the furnace fire goes out very few times.

The unkindest knock of all is the Turk's assertion that he trusts America.

In southern Europe, high treason seems to consist in being on the losing side.

The difference between a specialist and an ordinary practitioner is about \$65.50.

Firing squad activity won't make it any easier to form new cabinets in the future.

As an arouser of American enthusiasm for France, Clemenceau is a very nice old man.

The way to make churches as popular as vaudeville is to make them less like vaudeville.

These seven-reel movies should at least be boiled down enough to make the plot thicker.

It may appear that a wave of prosperity is one that waives payment of international debts.

Chivalry has given us a number of charming phrases. Modern chivalry has given us "Not guilty."

The world can't forgive Siki for being black, but it still is enamored of some fighters who are yellow.

Lives there a man who never, at the age of sixteen, stood before a mirror and practiced a stern expression?

It is only fair to inform the kaiser and the widow that the magazines are advertising some delightful world tours.

Correct this sentence: "Billy detests stout women," said Billy's wife, "but I am going to eat what I like, fat or no fat."

RUSSIA'S PORTION AT LAUSANNE

The One-Man Woman
Homebound, Reviews Happy Days of Youth
By Ruth Agnes Ebeling

BEGIN HERE TODAY
DAN WARD has just died, leaving a widow.

KATE. She, her mind filled with thoughts of the ideal happiness of their married life, starts for her parents' home in a small inland city.

GO ON WITH THE STORY
There, in the gloom of her berth, with the train speeding past small villages and stretches of open country, Kate Ward went over that one day which stood out beyond all others.

She remembered every nuance of her mother's voice as the voice came back from the doorway—"What, you back? Whispers she repeated then.

She hadn't been much past 18 then, a developed little thing for that age, with almost too much of the woman about her. There was too much of an air of knowing, something tragic in the droop of her shoulders. All through the years that followed when she saw girls so young with that air of knowing and that pitiful droop, she wanted to run after them and take them home somewhere to a mother who wouldn't say:

"What—you back?"
Kate had brushed past her mother that day and had gone to the little room under the eaves. There, among the things she had known in those glad days before she had measured her strength against a city, she cried. Perhaps, if her mother had gone then to the room under the eaves, everything in Kate Ward's life would have been different. But her mother had come to put up the kitchen to keep neighbors to gossip with.

So 18-year-old Kate flung down on the floor and while patchwork quilt, cried it out alone. Cried it out until her heart was void of tears and couldn't even ache any more.

Kate Ward never cried after that day—not once during all of the perilous months which followed.

Finally she washed away the traces of tears, followed the washing with dabs of pink, and sat down quietly to wait.

She wouldn't go downstairs. She'd just wait dusk.

As the supper hour neared she heard her father's voice and then listened as his heavy boots clumped over the kitchen floor. He wasn't coming in. But then, the door of her room was closed and she wouldn't have opened it anyway. She wondered for a second what she would have done if he had come up and opened the door. She decided she would have slipped under the bed. Just then her heart almost softened. There were tears on the verge of being. She fought with herself. And came out winner, if a little hardened. She had never got along very well with her mother. And perhaps she shouldn't have gone to the city. Then there were the tales that drifted back. Part of them true, too.

But weren't mothers and homes supposed to be the things you could always count on? The other girls said that was true. And she had started back from the city with such a vow to be good forever and forever!

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbors and love no false oath; for all these things do I hate, saith the Lord.—Zechariah 8:17.

Trust me, that for the instructed time, will come.

When they shall meet no object but may teach
Some acceptable lesson to their minds
Of human suffering or human joy.
For them shall all things speak of man.

—William Wordsworth.

YOU AND I

CONTAGIOUS
A crabby looking man, his mouth set as if he'd just launched a persimmon, stood waiting for a street car. Also waited, a boy with two bundles, each as big as himself. The rest of the crowd fought to get into the car. The bundle-boy and the "crab" entered last—and the "crab" helped the boy aboard with his load. When the boy left the car, the "crab" helped him off.

A simple, kindly act. And yet it was powerful. Other passengers noticed it and were sorry they hadn't thought of helping the lad, resolved to do better next time. The boy will pass the kindness along.

All of us want a better, more kindly world. Few of us realize that the only way to get it is by starting in with our individual actions. Kindness is more contagious than smallpox.

HURRICANE
A West Indian hurricane is tracked 5,000 miles by our national weather bureau. Astounding detective work by science.

Day by day, in every way, we learn more about what's happening on our earth. The tab is so closely kept that you learn about an event in some far-off corner of the world as quickly as you learn of a happening at the other end of town.

Franklin can remember when a cyclone was near head of water and it had passed beyond the horizon, unless some relative observed the same storm, miles away, and wrote a letter.

The printing press is the heart of civilization.

FORD
Henry Ford, whose income is said to run into six figures a day, says: "The man who will use his skill and constructive imagination to see how much he can give for a dollar, instead of how little he can give for a dollar, is bound to succeed. I cannot understand why people don't see it."

Well, Henry, the hardest thing to see is the obvious. Most of us are too busy looking for curricula and short cuts that do not exist. With a gold mine in the back yard, we are rather busy chasing seeking the fabled pot of gold at its foot.

DEAD
More than 17,000,000 letters and packages a year go to the dead letter office, postal officials announce. Each is a case of improper address, with no return address.

And out of these millions, 140,000 are letters with no address at all. Every day, in every way, we get more careless mentally.

Write your name and return address on every letter and package you post, particularly the important or the valuable ones. This will protect you, also help the postoffice and speed up mail service.

INSURED
About one in every four Americans carries life insurance. This is announced at a convention of presidents of insurance companies.

It looks as if the average person gives more thought to the future than is generally believed. At that, it's not half enough.

How much estate would you leave if you died tonight? And how long would it keep those dependent on you? Worth figuring up and thinking about.

CARUSO
A giant candle, which will burn in honor of Caruso every All Souls' day for 1800 years, is shipped to Italy by the New York firm that made it. It is five feet in diameter, 16 feet high, weighs a ton, cost \$3,700.

When this candle flickers out for the last time, in the year 3722, will any one on earth be able to tell anything about Caruso? Probably not, despite his Titanic genius. For that matter, all of us will be forgotten then, except a few war leaders who will be remembered faintly in fables. And our World War will get about 10 lines in school histories—provided they still have histories 1800 years from now.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE WORLD

Week's Events Briefly Told

PRESIDENT HARDING has let the country know he is aware it is dissatisfied.

Needless to say, it is the last election he interprets thus.

In an address at the opening of the regular December session of congress he outlined a program which politicians describe as a platform, brought up to date from 1920.

Harding Program Outlined.
Summarized, he recommended:
More aid to the farmers.
End of the Railroad labor Board; a labor division of the Interstate Commerce Commission, with power to make both sides obey.
Constitutional amendments stopping child labor and limiting tax free securities.
Stricter immigration laws.
Prohibition enforcement.

An effort to learn why, when prices of commodities are low, those commodities must pay off are very high.
Adoption of a plan to draft, in time of need, all the country's resources for defense.
Further negotiations in the interests of international peace.

THE president's message is taken generally as in the nature of an answer to the expressed views of the progressives who gained so much in congressional strength at the November election.

No Plan for Third Party.
The progressives already in the senate have been giving the country something of an idea of the policies they will advocate when the new congress convenes next March. As yet they lack numbers to undertake making any of their plans effective, for this is still the old congress, with the republicans in an overwhelming majority. In the new one, however, they will have the deciding votes between the two big parties, and will be in a position to name terms to one or the other, or both of the larger groups.

A convention of representatives of what is known as the labor progressive and liberal sentiment opened in Cleveland early in the week, but it was unofficially stated by leading men at this gathering that it is not the idea to form a "third party," which many people have been looking for.

THE Irish Free State has been formally launched, with Timothy Healy, a lifelong fighter for home rule, as first governor-general.

New Irish Regime Launched.
But between those who accept this measure of freedom, which is about the same as Canada's, and those who demand complete independence, with the last tie to England severed, bitter strife still rages.

Several men high in the Free State government have been assassinated by republicans.

In turn, a number of republican enemies of the Free State have been court-martialed and shot, among them

Acuses Nobody. But—
However, the transfer means China must begin immediately to accept its trading partners, of which army has been threatening to

The Peking administration at the typically oriental plan of 1,000 of the bandits to keep the

keep quiet for the present. The do it or they may not.

Japan undertook to furnish for the Chinese defenders of threatened territory, but Japan's

owed them. "The Chinese" who charge says he doesn't mean to

the Japanese of bad faith, but relations exist between them and bandits, nevertheless.

the idle fleet in Saline river, which went to Galveston to a minor repairs, was reported on

that port for San Pedro, Calif. load crude oil on the Standard

Co. contract with the Walk. tanker was allocated to the

Bay of New York, the Lake of Galveston representing that

paid on the Gulf.

The Lone Star motorship Glend, operated by the Lone Star

is due in this port at a near and will take cargo up-river for

Rio. The vessel will come with shalable cargo in transit for the

and, taken on at Galveston, Thonston, the Glendard being

ported at the latter port December and will come from Houston to

Neches river, thence to New Orleans, where it will call at

to finish. Cargo in transit out largely of flour. Rice and lumber be taken at Beaumont.

The steamer Hoffman, operated the Texas-Intercontinental, is in this port by the month end

will load part cargo of refinery, ducts for the Far East. The He was last reported discharging at

at New York and will call at Orleans before coming to Port

thru. The vessel is loading for C and Japan.

The steamer Nudon, a British vessel of 4,800 net tons, is due at

Neches by the month end to load cargo of asphalt, products for

Australia. The Nudon is due at Orleans this week end from Ha

and will take part cargo in the Mississippi river before coming to

port.

Dr. G. M. Gutierrez, who suc Dr. H. F. White as public health

fier at the western Gulf ports; ar at Galveston December 13. Dr. W

who spent a great deal of his time Port Arthur during the influenza and the anti-rat campaign, has transferred to Mobile.

Concerning the rate war bet steamship companies operating on Gulf ports, including this district

Merchandise Shipping Index of New

Leans says:

The present rate war from New

leans to Porto Rico and West I

is not of any benefit to owners

operators, and with this object

for them, it seems foolishly for

two companies operating out of

Texas ports to cut rates 25 per

to Cuba and West Indies, which

they have to offer in order to

their already low freight revenue

will not direct any cargo from

of the Gulf ports. Rate cuts de

help trading, and while those who

already purchased goods may re

temporary benefit, future buyers

hesitate to purchase when rates

not stable. It is to be hoped that

conference will be held shortly

just this rate situation in order

the interests of the trading public

the ship owner may be placed

basis of mutual benefit.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.

15.—Lester Reed, 65 years old,

his life Sunday at his ranch

Dresden, Colo., by fainting a

about his neck and jumping fro

top of his sled. His widow, five

decade, recently withdrawn from

and two daughters survive his